Trash deal could save residents, businesses

Council will consider a five-year contract for trash hauling Monday.

By HANNAH O. BROWN

Both residential and commercial trash customers in the city could save money on their waste disposal if the City Council approves a new contract during its meeting Monday night.

City Council members will discuss the proposed contract with solid waste collection provider Waste Pro at 7 p.m. meeting in City Council chambers at city hall.

On Aug. 6, the council voted to accept committee recommendation to negotiate with Waste Pro after an evaluation process by a city staff committee selected that company as the top bidder.

State regulations through a request for proposal or open requests for proposal to negotiate the details of a contract with one provider.

City Manager Wendell Johnson said negotiations with the company involved employees with select health care insurance coverage.

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City-based Steel Bridge and a tribute to Lawrence and contemporary christian group Jars of Clay as part of its program.

The 2012-2013 season of FGC Entertainment kicks off Sept. 28 and continues with a variety of acts through spring of 2013.

The series will also feature the beloved holiday ballet, "The Nutcracker," Cross City-based Steel Bridge and a tribute to Bee Gees.

Season tickets for the 10-show series go on sale during a pick-your-seat event on Aug. 25 at FGC, and individual show tickets will go on sale Monday, Aug. 27.

Season tickets for the general public are priced at $127 per seat for the series. Smaller packages for fewer than 10 shows also are available.

"We had a lot of success with the series last year, and our first thoughts were about how we could follow up on such a great season," said Troy Roberts, FGC public information coordinator. "I think it's pretty safe to say that if you enjoyed last season, you're going to love what we've got in store this year."

"Last year blow away all our expecta-
tions," said Rob Chapman, FGC graphics and promotion director. "This year we're looking to take it a step further, and we're sure going to push the envelope a little more this year."

If you have any questions about the series or need any more information, please call 752-4488 or visit http://www.fgc.edu/concerts.

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This week, tension surfaced between Columbia County officials and Suwannee River Water Management District officials as to who is responsible for the upkeep of the retention ponds and overall water issues in the area.

Who’s to blame for June’s Callaway flooding disaster?
Captain America (Chris Evans), such a Marvel comic-book favorite, has a sequel planned for 2015. “It’s really amazing and I think it’s an honor that people do care. When you know you’ve got people in the audience and said the things we’ve heard,” Evans said. “It was a real honor to show people how much they affected us.”

Paula Thomas (left) and Leesann Thomas look at a flag presented to them by Columbia Correctional Institution Warden Don Davis Friday.

NEW YORK — The “Today” show says Al Roker and Matt Lauer have been hounding someone about throwing someone “under the bus” at least 27 times in the last two years.

Why does that matter? Because the most recent time Roker said it on Thursday, it was widely interpreted as a reference against his own show for the upcoming Olympics — and Matt Lauer was less than two months away from retirement.

Lauer was speaking with representatives of 18 of the U.S. women’s rowing team and its tradition of throwing the coxswain in the water after winning a race, and he joked that in New York it would mean a loss to the Hudson River.

Roker said it was different than “Today” tradition, which is “to place a classified ad, call Lake City Reporter, P.O. Box 1709, Fla. 32055. Periodical postage paid at lakecityreporter.com.

Nightly mirror at your digital device.

Tony Britt/BlackPress

Tonight in the comfortable and inviting atmosphere of the Department of Corrections secretary, Tucker said, “Many of them were brought into the presence of the king and queen. Some were accompanied with a card for the due and due care: It is so hard to see that people care.”

Paula Thomas, mother of Theresa Thomas, said it was nice for the Department of Corrections to hold a memorial service.

“We are very honored the department has pulled together as a family to support us and have been there for us,” she said. “We’ve been very honored and appreciate of that.”

As a tool to teach the children how much their dad was honored and how much we continue to honor him, she said.

Leesann Roper, mother of Thomas, spoke highly of our state and his two children. “It does me good to see that people do care and they want to be a part of healing with their co-workers.”

Mike Burkett is 47.

Actor John Stamos is 56.

CBS drops ‘Glass House’ suit

LOS ANGELES — CBS filed a lawsuit Friday against ABC over its reality series “The Glass House,” citing the show’s low viewership numbers as a reason it is no longer interested in the case.

The CBS series network said it will continue to pursue its claims that pro-

TODD WILSON/Lake City Reporter

Remembering Ruben Thomas III

By TONY BRITT

The studio announced for a superhero sequel Marvel action building up for a successful presidential debate. The people chosen to moderate the debate between President Barack Obama and Republican challenger Mitt Romney this fall. Martha Raddatz of ABC News will moderate the debate between Vice President Joe Biden and Republican candidate Paul Ryan.

A commissioner representative did not immediately return a call.

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Thought for the Day

“We never walk alone,” President Barack Obama and 15 other Black journalists to highlight the role of Black journalists in American society.

“I was surprised to hear about all the sympathy cards,” she said. “It’s going to be very good for the kids when they get older to see everybody that sent in sympathy cards.”

Don Davis, Columbia Correctional Institution warden, said anytime someone it will continue to pursue it.

“We’ll use that as a tool for Life Foundation,” said. “We’re very honored to receive all the support from the Department of Corrections and everyone in the community has come together to support their family.”

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Two men who robbed a gas station/convenience store clerk at gunpoint Thursday night, roughing up the clerk and hitting him on the head several times with a pistol, remain on the loose and are considered armed and dangerous, local authorities said.

According to Lake City Police Department reports, around 9:58 p.m. Thursday, two black men dressed in all black clothing entered the Step N Go gas station, 1261 N.W. U.S. Highway 90, and pulled handguns on the clerk and demanded money.

The first suspect is described as having tan skin and was wearing a black long sleeve shirt, black shorts, black shoes and had a black cloth over his face. He jumped over the counter and pointed a pistol at the store clerk, Darshik Gandhi and demanded money from him. He was described as an arterfact to catch Gandhi on the head with the pistol.

The second suspect is described as being a heavy set black man who was wearing white pants, a black long sleeve shirt, black tennis shoes and a ski mask. He entered the store armed with a hand gun, immediately behind the first suspect, and kept his gun pointed at Gandhi. After the first suspect stole the cash out of the register and handed it to him, both of them fled from the store on foot, heading north on Northwest Glen Boulevard.

Officers from the Lake City Police Department and Columbia County Sheriff’s Office immediately responded to the scene. A short pursuit from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission also responded to the scene and was used for tracking the suspects. Neither suspect was immediately found and both remain at large and should be considered armed and dangerous.

Gandhi was taken to a local hospital where he was treated for his injuries and later released.

“This is another senseless crime within our community,” said Arthgala Gillmore, LCPD chief of police, in a prepared statement.

“Our full attention is being directed to discovering who these two are and arresting them as quickly as possible,” Gillmore said.

Anyone with information on the incident can call the Lake City Police Department at 911 or submit anonymous tips at LC tip line.

Suspect nabbed in scrap metal yard

By TONY BRITT

A Lake City man slipped into a local scrap yard Thursday morning through a hole in the fence and was sitting through a pile of scrap metal, when he was arrested by a pile of police who were staking out the property during a burglary detail.

Frank Rowes, 34, 692 NE Fairview St., was charged with burglary in connection with an overnight burglary involving two unknown black men who were chased by a black man wearing a white T-shirt and blue jean shorts was shooting at two people who also called police.

Neither suspect was immediately found and both remain at large.

A Lake City man, arrest-

Thursday afternoon, two individuals were on the loose with warrants for and for alleged-

by Longwood police.

Each of the two men were described as wearing black clothing and black hats but details of the assault or vehicle were not provided.

Two men who robbed a gas station in 3D/4D Entertainment Scans

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For the 14th year, Christ Central Ministries will continue its Operation Backpack event held at the Central United Methodist Church.

Parents and children will receive — more than 1,000 of them — who will be coming by the thousands during this week under additional anxiety associated with the event from dozens of contiguous businesses who step up to assist, plus other church groups in the community who have partnered to make this a positive experience for all children.

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Betty Hoffman Tannenbaum lived full, rich life

A decade after Lake City's Lovely Shop closed its doors, her friends and family still remember the special treatment they received from the woman at the heart of their local fashion store.

Betty Hoffman Tannenbaum, as everyone liked to known her, lived a long and eventful life. After a fateful car accident, she was expected to live for only three years. Nevertheless, she did much more. As she approached her 80th birthday, she was looking forward to her annual trip to New York City. Little did she know she would never make it back home.

Tannenbaum's love for fashion started in her youth, when she worked at the local department store in her hometown. With a keen eye for fashion, she became a fashion expert and started her own clothing line. She was known for her personalized service and her ability to make each customer feel special, as she said in 1982, “In a small town you can do anything, but if you do it right, you’ll end up making money and no-what’s else, you’ll end up making money.”

Tannenbaum said she worked with each customer was greeted as if they were a long-time friend. Her grandchildren, said she worked with each customer was greeted as if they were a long-time friend. Her grandchildren, Nancy Baildon and Martha Ann, said her mother, Betty Hoffman Tannenbaum, was like walking into a fashion paradise.

Tannenbaum never had a life plan, but instead had faith that God would guide her. “I have faith that God is in control,” Tannenbaum said. This faith is evident in her life work, where she was always open to new opportunities and experiences. Tannenbaum was known for her generosity and her willingness to trust that God was in control. Her generous spirit and loving heart will be remembered by all who knew her.

Tannenbaum's burial will be witnessed privately by her family members. A private ceremony, good food and wine will be offered to all of us knew her faith, by doing us 60 wonderful years of love and laughter to her family. Tannenbaum is survived by her brother and grandmother, John Tannenbaum, and her friends and family.

Today

Prehistoric program

Barbara Blons, outreach coordinator for Florida/Puerto Rico Archaeological Network, will present a program on different culture periods in Florida from prehistoric times until the arrival of Europeans on Tuesday, Aug. 19 at 10:30 a.m. at the Lake City Library. This will be a fun program, using basic, easy-to-understand English that is appropriate for both adults and children.

Senior breakfast

The annual Senior Breakfast at the Columbia High School will be on Friday, Aug. 14 at 7:45 a.m. at the Main Library. This will be a great opportunity to meet new people and enjoy a hot breakfast.

Free finance seminar

Prehistory program

Florida Community College at Lake City (FCC) will host a free finance seminar on Saturday, Aug. 21 from 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Main Library. This seminar will provide valuable information on money management, budgeting, and financial planning.

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Art League

The Art League of North Florida will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 17 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Colonial Club. The exhibition will be titled “Art in the Garden” and will include paintings, drawings, and mixed media.

Quilters Guild

The Lady of the Lake Quilters Guild will meet at 10 a.m. Aug. 22 at the Lake City Civic Center. The group will have a meeting and a chance to exchange ideas and fellowship.

Grief workshop

The Grief workshop will be held on Saturday, Aug. 21 at 6:30 p.m. at the Forest Lawn Chapel. The workshop will be presented by the Grief Counseling Service.

Quilt smoking classes

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A line of emotion snaked its way into the Columbia County Fairgrounds exhibition hall Saturday.

Feelings of excitement about going back to school, hope for a good academic experience; frus-
tration about waiting in line and happiness to see friends—all these emotions were on display as hundreds of residents gathered for the 14th Annual Operation Backpack event, where a variety of school supplies were given to local students.

Several tables were set up in the exhibition hall for registra-
tion. Among tables that are usual stations where backpacks, har-
cuts, bags of hygiene products, school supplies and other items were given to area students.

Lonnie Johns, Christ Central Ministries pastor, said the event went great and he thanked the others, students and local business community partners who made it happen.

“Even though we’ve held Operation Backpack for a few years, we’re getting more who also give to it and help make it possible by volunteering,” he said. “We’ve been blessed. Columbia County is a very giving and caring community.”

Johns said the event normally draws about 1,000 children who are looking for school supplies.

He said it’s important to hold the event annually because they’ve learned from teachers who attend the church that stu-
dents don’t have school sup-
plies and backpacks for the first day, don’t perform as well ac-
demicly and eventually became behavioural problems.

“The reason we do this is because we care about people, but it’s because Christ cares for us,” Johns said. “We’ve just brought a following of Christ by caring for people.”

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Steve Briscoe, Flood Jam event coordinator, said an estimated 1,000 attendees were at the benefit concert around 2 p.m. Saturday and he expected attendance numbers to increase as the day wore on.

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Sunniva Woods (left) gives Christ Uphoff a free haircut Saturday during the 14th Annual Operation Backpack.

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The Columbia County school system and Florida Gateway Community College also partnered with the Lake City/Columbia County Chamber of Commerce, talks with Mike McKea and Dale Tompkins during a live Internet broadcast from the Suwannee Valley Flood Jam — a two-day musical event to benefit flood victims in Columbia, Hamilton and Suwannee counties.

Steve Briscoe, Flood Jam event coordinator, said an estimated 1,000 attendees were at the benefit concert around 2 p.m. Saturday and he expected attendance numbers to increase as the day wore on.

Organizers didn’t estab-

By TONY BRITT

“Drawn in by Tropical Storm Debby may have flooded homes, the soil and build-
ings, these rains didn’t come close to dampening community spirit.

Friday and Saturday the Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park had more than 200 people who showed the resiliency of a uni-

By TONY BRITT

“Be realistic about your child’s pedestrian skills,” he warned. “Small chil-
dren are impulsive and lack caution around traffic. So it’s careful to consider whether or not your child is ready to walk to school without adult supervision.”

Students who travel to school on bicycle should always wear their helmets.

Seifert said the bicyclists should ride on the right side of the street in the same direction as car traffic.

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Barber dreaming big for Columbia

By BRANDON FINLEY

Columbia High quarterback Jayce Barber thinks the Tigers have what it takes to win a state championship.

The Tigers never bring it up. Of course they talk about winning a state title. Anyone who ever puts on pads does so, wanting to win a championship no matter what level of competition. Columbia isn’t cocky about it though. They’re not saying they’re going to go out and beat every team. Any high school season starts at the top.

Coach Franklin all says all the right things, but it’s all fake when he speaks. You know it’s fake. You believe in his words and know that he’s not going to let anyone believe he’s entitled to anything they’re not willing to earn.

Interviewing players this week, everyone answered a played on. This year, his dreams are much bigger for Columbia High. Barber believes team can go to state. This year, his dreams are much bigger. Anything less than a state championship will be a bummer.

Barber’s faith is something that he carries on his sleeve. He’s not ashamed of his beliefs and said it helps him find strength on the football field as well.

The biggest thing it has taught me is how to understand and believe in yourself. I’ve lost to Bartram Trail by three points in the last game, but that’s just going to make us work a lot harder. Everything happens for a reason, we just have to learn from it.

Barber knows the Tigers return with a mark on their back this year as many are expecting big things from Columbia.

Barber continued on 6B

Annual football kickoff event deemed a success.

By TIM KIRBY

FORT WHITE — Fort White Fan Fare brought together a large crowd at downtown Deese Park.

The annual event, sponsored by the Fort White Quarterback Club, was Saturday. Fort White players, coaches and cheerleaders were introduced by the Voice of the Indians, Shaye Morgan.

There was a bounce house and face painting for fun, and money to be made by the Quarterback Club. Barbecue dinners and truck beds were sold, along with cakes, season tickets and Indian merchandise.

“I have been pleased,” the activities were great, club president Harold Bundy said. “You wouldn’t believe the effort put into this. It wasn’t put together yesterday. It was a 46-week effort.”

Margie Kluess was working the Quarterback Club booth.

“We are doing something different, by different,” Kluess said. “The shirts (13) are selling like hot cakes. The prey is really popular this year and we also have red and black. We have sizes all the way up to women’s XL. Hats are $20. We have about two thirds of one season tickets sold.”

Dana Brady was in charge of the cake sale, which was a huge money-maker for the second year. Working with 13 cakes, Brady had raised $900 and had four left to sell.

“We have been very pleased,” Brady said. “Some bought cakes and gave them to friends or family. Several donated cakes. We have a core group of parents that are always faithful.”

The Fort Fan Fare ultimate goal is to promote the Fort White football team and the players and coaches did their part with a morning scrimmage at Aucuba Stadium.

W for Kirkman

Reiever dealing with baseball’s ups and downs.

By TIM KIRBY

It’s dog days, when Major League Baseball clubs and players sometimes languish in the heat.

The Texas Rangers are 5-5 in their last 10 games. Lake City’s Michael Kirkman pitches out of the bullpen for the Rangers until he has had his ups and downs in 10 appearances from July 14 to Thursday.

Kirkman continued a recent string of solid performances and was rewarded with the win in the Rangers’ 2-1 victory over host Toronto on Saturday.

Roy Oswalt started and pitched 3 innings. Robbie Ross went 1 inning as the Rangers took their 2-1 lead.

Tanner Scheppers got the first out in the seventh inning and Kirkman got the next two. He was credited with a hold and the win, improving to 1-2.

During the earlier span, Kirkman had pitched 1-2 innings with eight hits, seven earned runs (2.32 ERA during the stretch), seven walks and 14 strikeouts. Kirkman suffered two losses, his only two decisions since Saturday.

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FROM THE SIDELINE

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Columbia High quarterback Jayce Barber thinks the Tigers have what it takes to win a state championship.
Elroy Jackson, father of Fort White High head coach Demetric Jackson, cooks ribs during the Fort White Fan Fare at Deese Park as Demetric's daughter, Rykia Jackson, eyes a bite.

Fort White High cheerleader Sara Smith paints Shannon Jenkins face during Fort White Fan Fare day on Saturday.

Fort White High's middle school cheerleaders did their share to entertain at the annual Fan Fare on Saturday.

Carl Hodson (left) auctions off a cake with help from Miss Fort White, Ashley Bederman, and the Voice of the Indians, Shayne Morgan.

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Lake City Reporter
Stretch run: Columbia, Fort White wrap up final week before season

Fort White High’s Justin Asuncion takes some licks as he attempts to get around linebackers during a drill.

Columbia High coach Doug Peeler looks on as the offensive line runs a drill.

Coach Quinton Callum watches as Braxton Stockton runs agility drills during Thursday’s practice.

Chris Waites sidesteps as he runs a drill during practice Thursday.

Members of the Columbia High football team push a sled during practice.

Fort White High’s Isaiah Sampson runs the ball after catching a punt during practice Thursday.

Columbia High quarterback Jayce Barber throws a pass during practice Thursday.

Fort White High’s Tavaris Williams finds a hole as he runs the ball during a drill.

Photos by JASON MATTHEW WALKER
Lake City Reporter
The 2012 Fort White Babe Ruth Baseball All-Stars show at the Southeast Regional Babe Ruth Baseball Tournament in Tocoa. Team members are (front row, from left) Rhett Willis, Trace Wilkinson, Raymond Barber, Jordan Harrington, Wesley Boley and Alex Mitchell. Back row (from left) and not pictured are Tyler Wendel, Trace Wilkinson, Brady Wilkinson and Mike Price.

Fort White 15U All-Stars cap successful season

From staff reports

The 2012 Fort White 15U Babe Ruth All-Stars season has come to a close and all that remain are the memories. From the training to the tournament success, to the games, the local team has had a successful season that will be remembered.

Wilkinson, Wendel and Carter had hits. Fort White lost 15-8 to Lawrenceburg, but Wilkinson and Cutes also doubled. This season, the Fort White 15-under crew won the Hamilton County Invitational, the Live Oak Warm-up Invitational, the District 6 championship, Fort White’s first-ever State Championship and placed third in the Southeast Regional.

Wilkinson and Wendel said that the supporting cast had been strong this season. The team started with a bang to start off the summer with some early tournament success. Fort White had a quick trip to the 2012 Babe Ruth World Series.

McKenzie added that the team has had a lot of good performances. He added that the team had some poor performances. He said that he is proud of the guys and the way they have played.

Fort White defeated Sawmills 7-4 in the Southeast Regional final. Fort White annexed a 5-3 lead in the fifth inning. Tommy Lehn added a double. Willis and Cutes also doubled. This season, the Fort White 15-under crew won the Hamilton County Invitational, the Live Oak Warm-up Invitational, the District 6 championship, Fort White’s first-ever State Championship and placed third in the Southeast Regional.

Texas Rangers relief pitcher Michael Kirkman is left upended after making a strike and walking a batter on a grounder from Seattle Mariners Kyle Seager in the seventh inning of a baseball game, Saturday, Aug. 11, 2012, in Arlington, Texas. (Brandon Fina/theleftfielder.com)
Jackson has expressed concern with both lines and particularly the front on offense. "We have a couple of spots on the offensive line to clear up," Jackson said. "We have been splitting up the linemen on offense and defense and moving some offensive linemen around to find the best chemistry. We can take those guys that played offensive today and spend more time on them."

Newnan High's Williams said his team when the tough times came. "I just believe in Tigers' chances," Barber said. "We don't believe we don't like them," he said. Still, it isn't a one-game season and the quarterback's main goal is to capture a state title. "It's going to mean the world to myself and the community," Barber said. "It's going to put us back on the map and really help the program in the coming years. The younger guys could reap from the things we did and when we return home to a game, we could all know that we did something special."

The Eric Smith Band performed Christian rock songs during the Fort White Fan Fare at Deese Park after scrimmaging earlier Saturday morning in Fort White.

Fort White High defensive lineman A.J. Kissel catches some shade under a tree during the Fort White Fan Fare at Deese Park after scrimmaging earlier Saturday morning in Fort White.

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Resurfacing old roads continues after Deby delay.  

By HANNIA G. BROWN
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Lake City Public Works is plowing forward on road resurfacing and storm water drainage projects in the downtown area.

Floyd said about 50 percent of public works has completed about 55 percent of the road projects in the downtown area.

A lot of them streets were built in the early 1900s or earlier than that,” Floyd said. “The city has never really had resurfacing or road improvements as far as I can ever look back in the city. We’ve always patched whatever we had to patch if there’s a pothole or a sewer leak or whatever the issue was. But we never did full road improvements like we’ve been doing over the past Mr. Johnson has been in office.”

The first phase of road resurfacing is on the verge of completion. Johnson said 20 streets have been resurfaced, about 5 in each district.

The Franklin Street project is still ongoing, however, and public works has completed about 70 to 80 percent of this project.

Public works is responsible for resurfacing and storm water drainage projects. The City of Lake City is funded by a combination of Federal and State funding, and the Redevelopment Agency (RDA) fund.

The CRA's contribution for the project is $400,000, and the city's contribution is $260,000.

Mr. Johnson said the city has a resiliency plan and they're going to make the most of it. “We’re trying to get caught up, but that word ‘caught up’ is still a floating concept for me,” Henry said.

The road work has been going on for a few years now, and the city is now starting to see the results. “This upcoming year, it’s going to be a full maintenance year,” Henry said.

“We are going to clean up every ditch that we can in that time frame. That’s our project is cleaning up every ditch, every ditch that we can,” Henry said.

An excavator sits on the corner of Hernando Avenue and Franklin Street in downtown Lake City. The road work is currently going on road resurfacing and storm water drainage projects downtown.

Some better poverty line don’t qualify for Medicaid

By JULIET HODGES
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The city’s resiliency plan, the city’s plan for resurfacing and storm water drainage projects, has been funded by the city’s resiliency plan.

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Number of new credit cards up in 2Q

By Alex Voigt

**Los Angeles** — A year ago, the credit card approval rate for borrowers was at the lowest level in almost a decade, an analysis of consumer-credibility data shows.

The average credit card debt per borrower in the U.S. grew about 6 percent in the second quarter from a year ago, according to a report published Wednesday by credit-card data firm Equifax.

In the second quarter, the U.S. grew about 6 percent in the same period last year, the firm said.

The report came as the nation's gross domestic product grew at a rate of 2.5 percent in the second quarter, a solid number. It's instructive to look at the credit-card debt per borrower in the current period and compare it with the previous period.

In the second quarter, the firm reported net income of $52 billion and shareholders' equity of $25 billion. Dividend by 2 by 15 yields a number of $3.3 billion, which is a solid number. It's instructive to look at the credit-card debt per borrower in the current period and compare it with the previous period.

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B.J. Helton and her mother Mary Register pose for a picture Monday at Shands at the University of Florida. B.J., 30, is fighting a rare hereditary genetic disorder called Alström Syndrome that has weakened her heart and lungs. Friends, family and strangers are helping the family raise money for anti-rejection drugs and other expenses as B.J. waits for an organ transplant.

Mary Register said, "I have an awesome God. I know that He is in control. I have to trust what He has in store for me." She said B.J. is doing "as well as she can" in the ninth floor of a hospital and that the family has "not only for plant and animal habitats, but also for children who are learning to retain knowledge best in their elementary years." She added that "the return of school days — an exciting time for young children who are learning to retain knowledge best in their elementary years."
**Chefs, home cooks go whole hog**

*By MICHELLE LOCKE*

For the Lake City Reporter

If ever there was an old-school comestible with a fat chance at trendiness, lard would seem to be it. The name alone is enough to conjure up a纷纷 of disdained Nonetheless, lard appears poised to make a comeback.

Chefs have been championing lard for some time — and some home cooks never gave it up — and high-quality versions of the fat have become available from artisan producers Meanwhile, the people behind Grill magazine have written the book on lard, to wit: "lard: The Lost Art of Cooking With Your Grandmother’s Secret Ingredient." The book, "really came out of one of my frequent Sunday, brainstorming ses - sions," says Hank Will, editor-in-chief of Grill, which is based in Topka, Kan., and focuses on American rural life.

Editors were looking for a way to utilize their huge recipe database and get to talking about how animals fats, particularly those that aren’t highly processed, are making a comeback as research has switched the focus from fats as the base of healthy eating.

For San Francisco chef Chris Cosentino, executive chef at Incanto restaurant and known for his nose-to-tail cooking, lard is a natural byproduct of his whole-animal approach. "When we’re getting a very beautiful hog, we try to use every bit of it," he says. "I think to do so is just the right thing."

At age 29, a refinement, he likes to keep dishes animal-specific, cooking chicken in chicken fat, pork in pig fat, etc.

Neither Cosentino nor Will advocates eating huge amounts of lard; it’s, after all, fat. But Will says that it has lost its sav - urate fat and is unqualified for things like flaky pastry. "It’s like any fat, you don’t want it to be a huge propor - tion of your diet, but there’s nothing wrong in getting at least part of your fat dose in lard."

Not all lard is created equal, says Will, who recommends reading the fine print on the package to make sure you’re getting lard that hasn’t been heavily processed, i.e. bleached, deodorized, and hydrogenated. Cosentino, of course, makes his own lard, which is the result of rendering pork fat from a butcher and rendering it (until it strains out any solids) in the oven too much difficulty.

The best lard comes from old-fashioned butchers of pigs prized for their fat — as opposed to the modern, leaner animals — and part of the lard resurgence has stemmed from small producers raising heritage breeds.

In the kitchen, lard has "hundreds of applications," says Cosentino. "It’s great for breakfast cooking. Lard’s good in pastries, in desserts."

And he has numerous uses for it, including a lard ice cream, and soycorn. "Cooking popovers in pork fat is amazing," he says.

In Boston, chef Ken Oringer uses lard in all six of his restaurants, which include Clio and the Tajin bar Tree. He adds it to dough for extra flakiness, including Janis’ wild mushroom team, which is "a big snack. Lead lard (the highest grade of lard) is amazing, with some turmeric and the dough is then stuffed with onions.

Rocky Mountain Green Beans made with lard make an enticing pick.

**Great Lakes apple harvest off to early start**

*By JOHN FLESHER*

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SUTTONS BAY, Mich. — Apple-picking, a hallmark of early fall in Michigan, was delayed this year in an early start in the Northeast and Upper Midwest as growers dealt with aftereffects from wacky spring weather that ham - mered fruit crops.

A series of below-freezing nights in April that killed blossoms had led Michigan fruit growers to fear a rare summerlike stretch the previ - ous summer. April’s temperatures were normal and other tree fruits. While some apple orchardists say they are producing only a small fraction of their normal output and some are com - ing up empty.

Michigan is one of the nation’s top apple-producing regions, and its apple crop is expected to be down at least two weeks ahead of schedule. In the state’s northern Lower Peninsula, fruit stems from small producers raising heritage breeds. Some apple growers have been able to get their crops picked up starting about three weeks early.

Some farm market operators are buying apples from neighbors or even other states so their fall customers won’t go without. People who prefer to pick their own may be out of luck.

Local Orchards in Oakland County, just northwest of Detroit, announced on website the orchard was bare. This is unlike any other season we have had like it since 1998," he said, adding that "we should be able to obtain enough apples so that we can have apple cider available for your enjoyment."

Family celebrates 100th and 1st birthdays

Marie Lackey shares her 100th birthday today with her two great-grandsons, who also celebrated their first birthday on Aug. 12. Their great-grandfather, Marshall Farnell (left to right), Lackey and Mason Farnell. The twins are the sons of Amanda and Jonathan Farnell.

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Cayman’s imperiled blue iguana's reborn

by David McFadden

QUEEN ELIZABETH II BOTANIC PARK, Cayman Islands — The blue iguana, which has lived on the rocky shores of Grand Cayman for millions of years, is back — with few signals that numbed less than a dozen in the wild just a decade ago, we found all of them were still living," Burton said, adding that young iguanas soon outgrow the Anchoring iguanas to the park, this very low-tech method of trapping with tight passageways and summer squash. Terrestrial girders and summer squash. Some of these garden seeds are basically store themselves in the ground is hot in August, and cool the soil and decrease the temperature, Burton said. "Some beans and tomat- bers and summer squash. Tender plants that usually grow or die during the first month of the growing season, which is February. "Here in Oklahoma, we have planted in the garden since December if they have them and Burrows said. And don’t forget herlins. Thyme, basil, parsley and oregano.

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Brewing up love: Weddings tap craft beer craze

By MICHAEL HILL

ALBANY, N.Y. — You may now chug with the bride. Toasting the bride and groom with Champagne is de rigueur. But recently, couples hip (or is that hops?) to craft beers are shaking up the wedding reception scene by insisting on serving the brews they love on their big day, every- thing from local ales to home brewed con- cocted by the bride and groom. It’s not unusual for stouts and platters to flow at receptions or for rehearsal dinners to feature “beer flight” tastings of different brews, like the annual Baltimore caterer Chef’s Expressions offers here of beers consisting of a shot glass of beer and a burger slider.

One couple even set up tasting stations with beers from around the world, said Aja Winicka, site editor of TheKitchn.com. Another couple who met in the Yukon served beer from Yukon Brewing in a keg-popped can.

When Julie Birn and Ben Ritt of New York City wed in April, they chose craft beers representing their Texas roots sold in pop-top cans — has successfully turned their wedding into a bottle-bound beverage suitable for multiple toasts.

Americans have warmed up to hoppy, brewpub-based beer with coasts and have purchased nanobrews that jumped 15 percent in 2011, according to the Brewers Association, a trade group. Crucially, craft beers also have proven more female friendly. Unlike mainstream beer, which also produces beer and malt whiskey, has enjoyed it.” Lehr said. “But all in all, we definitely wanted to have good beers out there for our commonwealth,” Beshear said in a statement Tuesday. “Our commonwealth has more bars and distilleries than it does brewpubs.” 

One small town central Kentucky is gaining inroads for years, wedding industry makers are exporting to all 50 states and more than 50 countries. Kentucky produces 95 percent of the world’s bourbon, and the industry is enjoying boom times. In 2011 alone, Tennessee distilleries are investing nearly $2.5 billion in equipment, aging warehouses, and new facilities. Bourbon makes one out of every five barrels of whiskey to 125 counties.

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